Homewood Children's Village exists to improve the lives of all children in Homewood and to reweave the fabric of the community in which they live. The Full Service Community School (FSCS) is our primary direct service strategy to accomplish that. The FSCS department partners with schools and provides additional resources in the school to children and their families to help children be available and ready to learn. We know that many things impact the lives of children, and as social workers, we can provide and coordinate resources that help mitigate some of those factors.

SOCIAL WORK INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Social Work students who are chosen as interns with the Homewood Children’s Village will have a rich and full experience. The work of Social Work Interns with the HCV is very hands-on. Additionally, we value the internship experience and as such, students receive consistent, high-quality supervision. Social Work Interns will help accomplish our goals of improving student attendance and grades, decreasing negative behaviors that could lead to suspensions and loss of learning time, and increasing access and utilization of necessary resources.

Social Work Interns will be placed through the HCV in a grades K-5 or 6-12 school and will work in a combination of the following capacities:

1. Adapt and implement evidence-based social skills activities with students
2. Work with small groups and individual students with a focus on case management, academic excellence, motivation and future preparation
3. Make calls to parents of absent students to encourage daily attendance and learn familial needs
4. Link parents to relevant resources and guide them through accessing those resources
5. Monitor students during high-activity times in the schools (e.g., breakfast, lunch and dismissal)
6. Propose and implement special projects based on individual interest

Interns must be flexible as the duties may change or be adjusted to meet student, family, school and agency need.

Our goal is to find students that are passionate about social work and working in a high-needs, minority community, and students who know and are open about their strengths and areas for growth and want to learn and grow through a social work internship.